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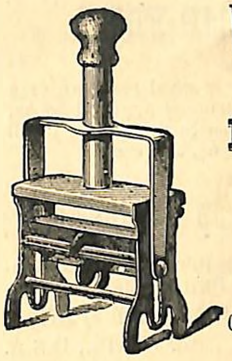

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President Hechler has made a good and popular appointment for Secretary. We refer to D. A. King.

If we are to have a Convention it is time nominations for office were being made. In voting, every member should look at the qualifications of the candidate, and not at the locality he comes from.

The Exchange Superintendent is pushing his department, and a much larger percentage is sold of C. P. A. sheets than of A. P. A. sheets.

The Canada wrapper is now printed from a new or reingraved die, the groundwork of which is plaided instead of fine lines as in the previous issue.

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ODDS AND ENDS.

BY "ACADIA."

In the note on P. E. I. stamps in last number read "Government" remainders, instead of good remainders as printed.

The early issues of Tasmania include errors in the shape of inverted watermarks. I have lately discovered two values with inverted numerals.

What about affiliation with European societies that our worthy President proposed to make one of the leading features of his administration. It is in order for him to report.

Are we to have a stamp exhibition at Halifax this year during convention? The attempted exhibit last year was a most lamentable failure. Surely the C. P. A. can get up a creditable show.

Our late secretary, Mr. McMinn, was a good man and we are all sorry to loose him. But in Mr. D. A. King, the newly appointed secretary, we have one of the most energetic, capable and efficient officers in the Association.

The $3, N. S. Bill Stamp is a greater rarity than either the shilling N. S. or N. B. If revenue stamps were as much in demand as postal issues they would be valued at not less than $50 each. No higher value than 50c. was ever issued to post offices outside of Halifax.

Mr. Fred. Northup, Port Jervis, New York State is in doubt as to whether N. B. stamps were cut diagonally and used as provisionals (see Halifax Pilatelist for April) for half-face value. I I have two specimens of the 6d. cut in that way and also two of the 10c. all on the entire document.

After the very complete history of the "Musgrove" Business College stamps given by "Canadiansis" in the April number of the "Eastern Philatelist, "I would strongly advise Mr. Hooper to select some other *nom-de-plume* if he wishes to still conceal his identity. I might remark that it is to be hoped he will not attempt to "bite" other

collectors who may not be so "fly" as he is, now that he has a good stock of the specimens in question owing to the so-called generosity of the proprietor.

Permit me to congratulate you, Mr. Editor upon the completion of the 2nd edition of your catalogue of Stamps of Canada. It should have an extensive sale as it gives a much truer estimate of the relative values of Canadian stamps than any other catalogue in existence. A few additions might still be made, but it is certainly almost perfect.

It is a great pity that careless or economical collectors cannot find some substitute for those abominable fag ends of gummed paper off sheets of postage stamps. The paper is too thick and the gum is often dirty. They are often the cause of injury to a stamp printed on thin or soft paper caused by trying to remove them without soaking.

Can anyone explain why Scott & Co. Catalogue the 1c. Black Netherlands 1869 issue, at 1c., used, and Stanley Gibbons & Co., price them at 1/ stg. used and unused? Such differences in values are absurd and are certainly very puzzling to collectors. This much I can say, that in about 40 approval books of the C. P. A. exchange department I have never seen but two specimens offered. They could not have been in use more than a few months as a stamp of the same value and design was printed in green the same year. I wonder how many specimens Scott & Co will supply at 1c. each?

—Holland or the Netherlands as a stamp issuing country has never attracted much attention owing no doubt to the fact that its postal issues are small in number and not at all rare, and the kingdom is generally considered as a small affair. It will probably astonish the majority of collectors to know that Holland, in extent of Colonial possessions is only exceeded by one country in the world. It is scarcely necessary to say that country is England. The total area of the Dutch Colonial possessions is almost 800,000 square miles and among her dependencies are some of the finest and most valuable colonies in the whole world.

Halifax is to have a summer carnival this year to last two weeks, commencing fourth week in July. President Hechler suggests holding the Second Annual Convention of the C. P. A. at that time as the trip will be a very pleasant one at that season of the year, and railway and steamboat fares will be away down. I think if the suggestion is carried out we might confidently look for a large attendance.

CANADA SERVICE ENVELOPES.

In regard to certain envelopes, wrappers, and postal cards of Canada that has been surcharged *service*, and have been offered for sale in certain quarters, the *Philatelic Record* says:

"We have received through Mr. Campbell the history of these surcharges, as given by the Postmaster of Halifax, which tallies exactly with information we received from Major Evans. Mr. Fletcher was a Captain in a volunteer regiment despatched to assist in putting down the insurrection, and had the words "official," or "service" printed on a number of goverement envelopes, post cards and wrappers, as desired, for sending notices of drill, etc., to his company, but they were neither issued or recognized by the Government of Canada. It is for these, which the postmaster says are intrinsically worth nothing, that at the present time a dollar each is being asked.

We should not again have referred to these manipulated stamps had it not been that in the supplement of M. Moen's catalogue, now in course of publication, they are recorded without notice of any doubt as their being a genuine government issue. It was a smart notion of Mr. Kechler to turn his military duties into the direction of his business as a stamp dealer, but the collection of amateurs are now so overladen with postal stationery that they may dispense with specimens of these without much sorrow of heart."—*P. J. of A.*

RUBBING DOWN MR. CORWIN.

Editor Dominion Philatelist.

SIR,—The following comments are suggested by the very unseemly and disagreeable discussion now being conducted through the columns of the *Philatic Gazette*, of Chicago, resulting from Mr. C. B. Corwin's attack upon the officers of the A. P. A.

As we have many members of the A. P. A. in Canada it may not be out of place to give the article referred to some attention.

To say that Mr. Corwin is aggressive in his inclinations is putting it mildly, for he certainly seems to be spoiling for a fight, and to judge by the way the friends of the A. P. A. and its various officers have sprung to the rescue there is every probability that he will get his belly full of it.

He must certainly be a plucky fellow if he has started this row alone. If he has friends and "fellow kickers" he had better summon them to his aid without loss of time or he will soon be lost to sight in the mass of confuting testimony that will come pouring in.

Can anyone tell us just what Mr. Corwin really wants?

It seems to me that he would like to be unanimously elected Grand, Royal, High Chief *Muck-a-muck* of the A. P. A., if such an office existed, with power so absolutely autocratic that he could make and unmake all the officers of the A. P. A., from the President down to the "head kicker" just as he pleased.

I am afraid that no position inferior to that in power and resources would satisfy him.

I will touch upon Mr. Corwin's com plaints as they appear in regular order in his all round growl.

First he strikes out from the shoulder at the official board, but he falls very short as his chief cause for dissatisfaction with it will probably turn out to be merely printer's errors.

He says "they are slow," yes verily, even unto stagnation.

Has it ever occured to Mr. Corwin that the A. P. A. may be getting too big, too unwieldy, that it may outgrow its usefulness as an association. I think there is a prospect of it.

There are too many conflicting opinions in its councils, too many interests that clash, too much jealousy between east and west, too much suspicion between dealers and collectors in its ranks, too much power in the hands of a few. In fact too much of everything, even kickers not excepted.

If I am not mistaken a few more such brawls will result in a big split in the A. P. A., and there is a possibility that it might be as well for all concerned.

About Mr. Corwin's appointment to the position of first purchasing agent, I do not see any just cause for him considering it such a deadly insult.

Possibly Mr. Corwin is one of those men who often say "No" in such a hesitating, uncertain manner that they sometimes leave their hearers under the impression that only a little coaxing is necessary, differing in this from the man who comes out with a great big emphatic negative that is a whole sentence in itself, and carries conviction with it.

The next official to be run through the threshing mill is the devoted secretary, Mr. Bradford, whose greatest crime seems to be his youthfulness. Well, Mr. Corwin need not worry about that, as time will remedy it if the poor fellow has vitality enough to withstand such cold snaps.

Possibly if the rosy dawn of manhood was not so far in Mr. Corwin's past, he might show a little more consideration for the feelings of others.

It may be that in rubbing up against a cold, hard, unsympathetic world Mr. Corwin's sensibilities have become blunted and his temper soured.

Evidently he does not realize the mischief he is doing and the trouble that may follow it.

The next poor unfortunate who is dragged up to be knocked out is the Exchange Superintendent, Mr. E. B. Stirling, who comes in for a big share of abuse.

I think Mr. Corwin goes out of his way in the attempt to humiliate Mr. Sterling in the eyes of the Association, by saying that he "begged" for the position he holds. I have not the pleasure of a personal acquaintance with Mr. Sterling, but if I can judge by a correspondence which has ex-

tended over a period of a year and a half, Mr. Sterling is too much of a business man and has too much self-respect to "beg" for any office in the gift of the A. P. A.

As to his fitness for the position, I will venture to say that the great majority of the members of the A. P. A. will join with me in saying that the Association was fortunate in securing such a man and is to be congratulated on the choice made, for Mr. Sterling has amply proved that he is an enthusiastic collector as well as a dealer ; and more than that a responsible and honest man.

It is to be hoped that the publishers of the *Philatelic Gazette* charged Mr. Corwin full rates for his advertisement of the Dresden Society's International Exchange. Talk about "cool cheek" that "ad," takes the bun.

That the Exchange Superintendent is to blame for the slowness of members in making settlements is as unreasonable a claim as Alexander's when he kicked because there were no more worlds to conquer.

Mr. Corwin is now just in the unhappy position that the illustrious Alexander found himself, for, like him, the "Boss Kicker," has surely nothing left to kick about. If he had his way, at one fell swoop he would probably abolish the entire Executive of the A.P.A., and leave us nothing but an empty name. Like Col. Bob Ingersoll and his disciples who endeavor to destroy our Bible, our faith in God, our hope in the future, and give us nothing in its stead.

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